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## THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

President Roosevelt Designates  
Thursday, November 27th,  
as the Day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 29.—President Roosevelt today issued his proclamation designating Thursday, November 27th, as a day of giving. The proclamation is as follows: "According to the yearly custom of our people, it falls upon the President at this season to appoint a day of festival and thanksgiving to God."

"Over a century and a quarter has passed since this country took its place among the nations of the world, and during that time we have had on our shores more to be thankful for than has fallen to the lot of any other people. Generation after generation has grown to manhood and passed away. Each has had to bear its peculiar burdens, and each has known years of grim trial, when the country was menaced by malice, domestic or foreign; when the hand of the Lord was heavy upon it in drought or flood or pestilence; when in bodily distress and anguish of soul it paid the penalty of folly and a toward heart. Nevertheless, decade by decade, we have struggled onward and upward; we have triumphantly enjoyed material well-being and under the favor of the Most High we are striving earnestly to accomplish moral and spiritual uplifting. The year that has just closed has been one of peace and of overflowing plenty. Rarely than we are more enjoying. For this we render heartfelt and solemn thanks to the Giver of Good, and we seek to praise Him, not by words only, but by deeds; by the way in which we perform our duty to ourselves and to our fellow men."

"Now therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do hereby designate as a day of general thanksgiving, Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of the coming November, and do recommend that throughout the land, the people cease from their ordinary occupations and in their several homes and places of worship, render thanks unto Almighty God for the manifold blessings of the past year."

"I witness whereof I have become set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be fixed."

"Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-seventh."

**THEODORE ROOSEVELT.**  
By the President,  
**JOHN HAY.**  
Secretary of State.

### THE NEWS CONDENSED

Happenings of Interest Told in Fewest Words.

**NEW YORK, Oct. 29.**—Park Commissioner Young's plan for converting Coney Island ocean front into a park is creating wide discussion. The cost of the improvement is estimated by real estate dealers at \$10,000,000.

**LONDON, Oct. 29.**—The Gazette tonight announces that King Edward has created the offices of Governor and Commander-in-Chief and Lieutenant-Governor of the Transvaal. Sir Arthur Lawley has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor.

**NEW CUMBERLAND, W. VA., Oct. 29.**—Remarkable apple crops are being reported in Hancock and Brooke counties. Two of the heaviest producing sections for apples in the United States. The crops from a large number of farms will average 10,000 barrels each.

**WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.**—Rumors, prevalent for a long time, to the effect that Minister Wu Ting-fang is out of favor with the Imperial Government of China, received today confirmation in the minds of many, when it was learned that he had no knowledge of the appointment of Yuen Shi Kai as Minister of Commerce of the Chinese Empire.

**NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Oct. 29.**—Rock blasted on the Canadian side of the river today struck Mosler and Kelly, laborers employed on the State

reservation on the American side. Both of Mosler's legs were cut off and he died of his injuries. Several of Kelly's ribs were broken and he cannot recover.

**DENVER, October 29.**—Professor Adolf Lorenz, of Austria, who arrived here last evening, today performed six operations for congenital dislocation of the hip. Four were successful, one only partially so, and the sixth was a failure, the age of the child, nine years, and the firmness of the old injury, and the surgeon from accomplishing his purpose.

**NEW YORK, October 29.**—The Custom House has beaten J. Pierpont Morgan. When the Wall Street king determines upon a thing, he accomplishes his end as a rule, but he has been forced to bow to the word of the appraiser, after putting up a stubborn fight to avoid the payment of \$20 duty on an ancient Greek vase. That it was not the money, but the principle for which Mr. Morgan fought, is evidenced by the fact that the spent an hour and a half of his precious time before he admitted defeat.

**KANSAS CITY, MO., October 29.**—The United Cigar Stores Company filed notices of incorporation here today. It has a capital of \$50,000, half paid in, and proposes to "run a chain of United Cigar stores, and thereby gain the advantage that comes of buying goods in large quantities." Four of the most prosperous local stores have been purchased by the combine. The local men deny current reports that the new company is a scheme to drive the American Tobacco Company to push its brands of cigars and tobacco.

**TOPEKA, KAN., October 29.**—United States Senator W. A. Harris, a Democrat, made a remarkable prediction in his speech at Topeka, Kan., when he was paying a glowing tribute to President Roosevelt because of his anti-trust attitude. Senator Harris said: "Roosevelt cannot be bulldozed or run by J. Pierpont Morgan and the big trust magnates. As soon as they find it out they will be under the thumb of the Most High and we are striving earnestly to accomplish moral and spiritual uplifting. The year that has just closed has been one of peace and of overflowing plenty. Rarely than we are more enjoying. For this we render heartfelt and solemn thanks to the Giver of Good, and we seek to praise Him, not by words only, but by deeds; by the way in which we perform our duty to ourselves and to our fellow men."

**WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., October 29.**—The Westchester county grand jury, after deliberating for five hours, for the purpose of fixing the blame for the death of Esther Quimby, the seven-year-old girl, who it is charged, was allowed to die of malignant diphtheria through the neglect of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Quimby, of White Plains, and John Carroll Leary, of New York. Christian Science followers adjourned until Thursday, when it will draw up indictments, so it is reported, for manslaughter.

**NEW YORK, October 29.**—Miss Julia Marlowe started yesterday for Hot Springs, Ark., where she will rest until the recovery from the nervous trouble that interrupted her tour in "The Queen of Sheba." Her physician said that she needed absolute rest and quiet, and that she would better go to the country as soon as possible.

A dispatch from Washington last evening stated that Miss Marlowe was compelled to interrupt her journey there. She became ill on the train, and a physician who was called advised her to remain at the capital until she became stronger. She went to the home of a friend.

**Bank Officials Indicted.**  
(By Associated Press.)

**MONTGOMERY, ALA., October 29.**—F. M. Billing and J. P. Kohn, president and bookkeeper, respectively, of the Josiah Morris Banking Company, have been indicted by the grand jury for false pretenses. The banking company failed some time ago, but reopened with an agreement to pay installments to depositors. The president and bookkeeper were arrested, but promptly gave bonds. When arraigned the judge fixed the amount of bond at \$10,000 each.

**Southern Railroads to Answer.**  
(By Associated Press.)

**WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 29.**—The Interstate Commerce Commission has assigned dates for hearings in the near future in cases involving alleged violations of the Interstate Commerce law. Those include a hearing in Charlotte, N. C., November 24, of the Charlotte Shippers' Association against the Southern Railway and others and against the Seaboard Air Line and others.

**Schooner in Distress.**  
(By Associated Press.)

**CHARLESTON, S. C., October 29.**—The schooner William Larned, Captain Hupper, from Pensacola, bound for Payson, with a cargo of lumber, was towed into this port today in distress.

## NEGOTIATION FOR CANAL CONCESSION

Government Awaiting Further  
Reply from Colombia.

### THE DELAY WILL NOT BE LONG

Two Ways Possible if Colombia Objects  
Either Treaties With Nicaragua and  
Costa Rica or Entire Disregard of Colombia.

(By Associated Press.)  
**WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 29.**—The status today of the Colombia Canal negotiations is that both sides are awaiting a decision of the Colombian Government as to whether Minister Concha shall proceed under his original instructions to present to the State Department the Colombian response to the department's proposal for a treaty. When the response arrived in Washington two days ago, the minister promptly notified the State Department of the fact, but he added to his notice the statement that in view of recent developments he had regarded it as his duty to withhold it until he heard further from his government.

As the State Department had in some way come to know that the Colombian response would, if submitted, go far towards meeting the desires of this government in the matter of a canal treaty, this delay was very annoying. But as the minister had his own notion of duty in the matter, it was decided that an appeal should be taken over his head to the authorities in Bogotá. Accordingly a cablegram was sent to United States Minister Hart at the Colombian capital, notifying him of the action of the Colombian minister here.

**THEY ARE SEPARATE.**  
The matter of objection by our own officials is the attempt to link the negotiations for a canal treaty, pure and simple, with the discussion of the question of the correctness of the attitude of our naval officers on the Isthmus. The Colombian officials hold that as the projected treaty renews or continues the provisions of the existing treaty relating to neutralization of Isthmus traffic, which are now the subject of contention between the two governments it is proper that the canal treaty be held back until, either by an amendment of the old treaty or by the action of the new treaty, Colombian integrity be safeguarded.

It is said that the delay will not be long, for even if the Colombian answer is not satisfactory, the United States government will still be bound by the terms of the Spooner act to proceed toward the construction of an Isthmian canal, and the question to be decided is as to the method.

**TWO WAYS OPEN.**  
There are two ways open even in case of an adverse attitude on the part of Colombia—namely, either the United States government to proceed without delay to complete the treaties with Nicaragua and Costa Rica necessary for the construction of a canal, or, as an appeal to the United States government to proceed without delay to complete the treaties with Nicaragua and Costa Rica necessary for the construction of a canal, or, as an appeal to the United States government to proceed without delay to complete the treaties with Nicaragua and Costa Rica necessary for the construction of a canal.

### STEEL TRUST LOSES

New Jersey Court Decides Against  
Retirement of Preferred Stock.

(By Associated Press.)  
**NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 29.**—Vice-Chancellor Emery today filed his decision in the case of the United States Steel Corporation, which was brought by the corporation to prevent the United States Steel Corporation from retiring \$250,000,000 of preferred stock and issuing \$250,000,000 in bonds. In his decision the Vice-Chancellor says: "I will advise that a preliminary injunction be granted restraining the issue of bonds under the resolution, upon the terms that if the defendant desires to appeal, the complainant shall consent that the cause be set down for hearing at the next term of the court of Errors and Appeals."

The resolution referred to by the Vice-Chancellor was adopted by the directors of the United States Steel Corporation and ordered the retirement of the preferred stock.

Vice-Chancellor Emery decides that the meeting of the directors, which the resolution was adopted was prematurely called and that the retirement of the stock under the resolution must be therefore enjoined. The decision of the Vice-Chancellor agrees with the decision of the Court of Errors and Appeals in the merger case, on all other points.

### STRIKE AT AN END

Registry and Money Order Divisions  
Will Work Together Now.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)  
**WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.**—According to Professor Gustav Meyer, of Hoboken, N. J., the whole South is in for a very damaging series of tidal waves, earthquakes and floods during the coming weeks, that will bring dire disaster with them.

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GENTLEMEN—I have been troubled with Constipation for the attendant nervousness and general debility for some time. I was unable to get any relief until I tried your Grape Tonic. I am now enjoying my night's sleep and am rapidly gaining in weight and strength.

**JAS. W. MINNEAPOLIS.**  
321 Grand St., Minneapolis.  
Thousands of people are suffering to-day just as this man was and they are awaiting relief in the form of a tonic. Nearly all diseases are the result of stomach disorders. The man who has perfect digestion can get the full nourishment from his food and whose bowels are regular need never feel the effects of Constipation.

Constipation is a disease, and a sick man is a sick man. He is really suffering from a disease, but too often does not realize it. Constipation itself causes sleeplessness, nervousness, general debility, and general debility. From this condition the body rapidly and inevitably falls into such a diseased condition that it often requires much time and careful treatment to restore it to its normal state. It will not only cure the constipation, but it will build up the lost strength and add good, healthy flesh to the emaciated body.

Many people do not know what constipation is. Constipation is the failure of the bowels to carry off the food left in the alimentary canal and there rots, ferments and festers, throwing off even more diseased germs than arises from decaying vegetation when exposed to the rays of the sun. Is it any wonder, then, that constipation causes all the ailments which have been enumerated? Constipation often results in piles. It will undermine the most healthy man. Constipation is a disease, and a sick man is a sick man. He is really suffering from a disease, but too often does not realize it.

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### GOULD'S VALET LOSES

Jury Finds for Defendant—Mowbray  
Claimed Life Position.

(By Associated Press.)  
**NEW YORK, October 29.**—A verdict for the defendant, Howard Gould, was given today by the jury in the second trial of a damage suit brought by Frank D. Mowbray, who was at one time Mr. Gould's valet. The suit was for \$5,000. Gould claimed that Mowbray had stolen a watch and a ring, and that he had made a promise, and said he had been obliged to dismiss Mowbray.

The trial was short, and only the points directly involved in Mowbray's complaint were taken up. One of the features of the trial was the admission of Mowbray on the stand that when Mr. Gould's valet, he had insulted Miss Katharine Clemmons, who is now Mrs. Howard Gould.

### Trigbo Accepted.

(By Associated Press.)

**WASHINGTON, D. C., October 29.**—The torpedo boat Thornton has finally been accepted by the Navy department from the Trigbo Company, of Richmond. The monitor Arkansas was put in commission at Norfolk today under the command of Commander Colman.

### Gold From Australia.

(By Associated Press.)  
**NEW YORK, October 29.**—The sub-treasury paid out today \$220,000 for gold recently received at San Francisco, the bulk of which came from Australia.

### THE SOUTH IN DANGER

So Says Prof. Gustav Meyer, a "Young  
American Astrologist."

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## RECORD-BREAKER IN REAL ESTATE

Many Offerings for To-Day, In-  
cluding Valuable Property.

### THE CRADLE OF METHODISM

Historic Church the First to Be Occupied  
Here by Methodists, Long Used as  
Odd-Fellows' Hall, to Be Sold  
Under Hammer—Gossip.

To-day promises to be a record breaker for the offerings of real estate. First of all in interest will be the sale of the old Trinity Church, now an Odd-Fellows' Hall, on the south side of Franklin Street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth. This is one of the most historic buildings of the city. It was the home and cradle of Methodism in America. Here the first Methodist congregation was organized, and then it was known as Trinity Church. The congregation later built a house of worship on Broad Street at Twentieth, not the present structure. This first Trinity Church, for the year, during the pastorate of the late Dr. Leroy M. Lee. For a number of years the building has been occupied as a meeting place for Odd-Fellows. This sale will be made by Mr. E. A. Catlin at 4:30 o'clock.

Immediately after the above offering Mr. H. Selden Taylor will offer four small dwellings adjoining the old church. Mr. Taylor thinks this would be an excellent warehouse site or a good paying place of property in its present shape. Mr. S. W. Bowe will offer at 1 o'clock a three-story brick residence, No. 16 Locust Alley. All of this property is in a small radius, and the sales will attract the business people generally.

The Real Estate Trust Company will offer two brick stores and residences, Nos. 219 and 222 East Main Street, opposite the Henrico Courthouse. The two lots front 12 1/2 feet on Main Street, and 12 North Twelfth Street. This agent will also offer No. 600 Hughes Street at 4:30 o'clock.

Messrs. Pollard and Babby will offer a lot on Claiborne Street, between Randolph and Old Reservoir Streets. Messrs. A. L. Adamson and Augustine Royall and Company each will offer a three-story brick residence, No. 16 Locust Alley. All of this property is in a small radius, and the sales will attract the business people generally.

The most important sale of yesterday and of the week so far was that of the four stores and residences at the south-west corner of Broad and Sixth Streets, owned by the estate of Mrs. Celeste B. Pizini. The Mann S. Valentine estate was the purchaser of the entire property at a total of \$91,000. Mr. W. E. Pizini conducted the sale, and Mr. H. Selden Taylor made the purchase for the Valentine estate.

The stores referred to are at present occupied by the L. Wagner Drug Company, the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, and the Richmond Store. Mr. Meyer and Mr. The heirs to the property, of whom there are nine, desired a division, hence the auction sale today. Quite a number of bidders were out. The price brought is a fairly good one, but is not as much as the owners hoped the stores would bring.

In the past week, Mr. Selden Taylor, real estate agent, has sold the following residences: No. 976 Floyd Avenue, between Cherry and Linden Streets, for \$3,500; brick dwelling, No. 1004 Grace Street, between Harrison and Ryland Streets, for \$3,500, and No. 115 West Cary Street, for \$1,900, making the aggregate amount of three sales, \$18,400.

### CASES BEFORE JUSTICE JOHN

That of Charles Thalheimer Disposed of.  
Other Matters.

In the Police Court yesterday the case of Charles Thalheimer, charged with operating a slot machine in his saloon and with selling lottery tickets for drawings in another State, was disposed of. There was a long and bitter fight, which resulted in conviction. The penalty was a fine of \$100 and a day in jail in each of the two cases.

James Bowen was arrested on the charge of throwing rocks in the street. He explained that he was trying to kill a sparrow to eat, as he was on the verge of starvation. The story touched Justice John, and he was quickly released. Bowen was fined \$5 for hitting Ben Dixon on the head.

Abe Saunders was assessed \$5 for getting drunk and disorderly.

Lonnie Belle Fox, disorderly, \$2.50.

Mr. J. W. Wood hit Mary Lee in the head with a sweet potato because she swore at him, and both were dismissed.

C. C. Blankenship, white, was arraigned by his wife on the charge of beating and cursing her. He took the oath for twelve months and was released.

Mary Oakley, drunk, \$2.50.

Bill Roach, drunk, thirty days.

Lee Sheppard, disorderly at the colored almshouse, six months.

James S. Manning, selling newspapers and cigars on Sunday, \$2.

Clara Napier harbored Mamie Grant, daughter of Mrs. Belle Hughes, \$20. All the parties were white.

Mrs. Belle Hughes cursed Clara Napier \$20.

M. Hancock and John Connors, fighting, \$2.50 each.

Harry Post, fighting in the street, \$2.50.

### Example of Results on a Policy in the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company.

In October, 1887, a resident of Richmond took a policy, No. 160,538, with an annual premium of \$12.45 on the ordinary life plan, with dividends deferred for fifteen years. His total payments on this policy have amounted to \$1,866.75, and he has received \$2,035.20 in cash. In other words, he has received \$169 in dividends at the above low (ordinary) rate of premium for fifteen years, all payments are returned with \$35.55 in addition.

There were other options of settlement; for instance, withdrawing the fifteen year surplus accumulations, amounting to \$583.70 in cash—being forty-eight per cent of premiums paid—and continuing the policy for \$5,600 on the ordinary life plan, with dividends annually, the net cost annually approximating \$30.

Examples of actual results at other ages will be furnished upon request.

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## CASTORIA

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Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and all the Bronchial Affections. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, and cures Constipation. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of

**Charles H. Fletcher.**  
In Use For Over 30 Years.

Snap-Shots Taken  
in Hotel Lobbies

"It is hard to tell what we will do or where we will commence with our work," said a member of the Legislature at one of the hotel lobbies last night.

"The task of adjusting statutes to fit a new organic law, which is so different from our old one, makes it fraught with all sorts of difficulties and responsibilities. I regard the reorganization laws as by far the most important ones we will have to frame, and it was for this reason that I opposed the appointment of a commission to codify in vacation. I did not desire to run the risk of having statutes framed, either in the interest of or against these necessary elements of society, but preferred that they should be considered carefully by the entire body, having the utmost confidence that in this event we will be able to hold the scales of justice with an even hand and give to the new commission a authority which will make it a useful ramification of our new institutions and at the same time placing it in a position where it will have to be fair to the varied and conflicting interests with which it will have to deal."

Judge Richard H. Cardwell, of the Supreme Court of Appeals, is a fine storyteller, and when in good spirits is always the life of his companions.

He was seated with a group of congenial friends the other night, and each had related an anecdote, much to the amusement of all. They were along the line of uneducated people in public position, using big words in the wrong connection. When it came Judge Cardwell's turn, he outstripped all the rest.

"None of them were equal to my old friend Wilson Cary, of North Carolina," said the popular judge. "Wilson was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1787, and he went on, 'and he held years ago,' he went on, 'and he was a great fellow to make speeches, and would invariably throw in a few big words in the most ridiculous places. 'One day he had the floor, when a fellow member, to get him off his feet, raised a point of order on him. The chair ruled that the point was well taken and that the member would have to take his seat. Well, Mr. Wilson, he shouted Wilson, with his hands uplifted, 'before I take my seat I must say something which will be handed down to the archives of eternity.' The convention roared with laughter, and Wilson was allowed to proceed."

"I do not know that there will be any modification or alteration in the present liquor laws," said a Richmond member of the House of Delegates last night. "I have not made up my mind exactly as to whether there should be, and if so, what, for the reason that I have given little thought to the subject, and I should like to see the bill before offering a reasonable bill by any constituent on any subject I would do so, but as to what will be done I cannot tell."

"Should Governor Montague go to Boston to speak for Molasses?" asked a legislator at one of the hotel lobbies last night. "It would be up to the Bay State leader to say to the Governor at the meeting. 'You first, my dear Alphonse,' and I suppose he would distinguishly say that he was going to be a distinguished visitor to the audience."

"Things are looking all right up in Charlotte for the Democrats," said District Chairman David G. Eggleston, of the House of Delegates, last night. "I have no doubt that they will get a good vote, and I am going to be light, but Glass will get nearly all of them."